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FRUIT TREES BERRY PLANTS AND ORNAMENTALS

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EXTRACT FROM LETTER FROM HERBERT HOOVER TO RURAL NEW-YORKER

I LOOK upon fruit products as very essential to our diet during the war. The more fruit and vegetables that are used, the better it is for the health of the public; and through their substitution for more concentrated exportable foods it makes possible the sending of larger quantities of the needed food supplies to our Allies. The Food Administration is vitally interested in the development of the perishable food industries during the war, and it is doing all in its power to promote the use of these products among consumers as a whole."

HERBERT HOOVER.

1918

GEO D. AIKEN

PUTNEY VERMONT

READ THIS PAGE BEFORE ORDERING

IN REGARD TO PRICES: During the past year there has been a tremendous increase in every expense connected with growing and selling nursery stock. The price of labor has increased over 50 per cent, fertilizer 50 per cent, wrapping material 100 per cent, and so on. Add to this the increased cost of paper, printing and advertising and it is perfectly obvious that the nursery business cannot be carried on as usual without a considerable increase in the price of stock. In order to keep my prices as nearly normal as possible I am issuing this comparatively inexpensive catalog and am doing only a limited amount of advertising this year. I feel sure that my customers, nearly all of whom are practical farmers, will appreciate this saving as they realize that colored plates and expensive advertisements have no influence on the quality of the fruit.

HOW TO REMIT: Remit by money order, bank draft, registered letter or personal check. Postage stamps accepted for amounts less than one dollar.

DISCOUNT: As an inducement for early orders I will give a discount of **10 per cent** on orders received in February, **5 per cent** on orders received during March, but all prices are **net** after April 1st.

C. O. D. SHIPMENTS: If anyone wishes to take advantage of the discount offered for early orders, but cannot send the entire amount, he may send 25 per cent with the order and the plants will be sent by express C. O. D. at the proper time.

ABOUT SHIPPING: It is advisable to have practically all orders of more than 20 pounds sent by express. For my customers in New York and New England, however, parcel post is likely to prove the cheaper for orders of less than 100 raspberries or 500 strawberries. Add 10 cents for each 25 raspberries or 100 strawberries and the balance, if any, will be returned you. If not enough postage is included the plants will be shipped by express collect, as I cannot afford to keep book accounts and mail bills of only a few cents each.

GUARANTEE: I guarantee all plants sold by me to be true to name, and should any prove to be untrue, I will replace same free of charge or refund the money at any time within two years. I also guarantee all plants to be free of crown gall or other injurious diseases.

CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION WITH PERMIT TO SHIP

Vermont Agricultural Experiment Station

To Whom It May Concern:— August 15, 1917.

This is to certify that I have this day carefully examined the nurseries and grounds of *Geo. D. Aiken, Putney, Vermont,* and find no evidence of San Jose Scale or other noxious insect or injurious disease likely to be transmitted to nursery stock.

Signed *M. B. Cummings,* State Nursery Inspector.

NO ORDER TOO SMALL

Do not hesitate to send me your order, even if it is only a small one. I fill many orders as small as 50c. and am glad to do so. A small order which is filled at a loss very often leads to larger ones later on.

NUMBER OF PLANTS REQUIRED PER ACRE

Kind of plant.	Distance to set.	No. required.
Red Raspberries,	3 x 6 ft.	2400
Black Raspberries,	4 x 7 ft.	1600
Purple Raspberries,	4 x 7 ft.	1600
Blackberries,	4 x 7 ft.	1600
Currants,	4 x 6 ft.	1800
Gooseberries,	4 x 6 ft.	1800
Strawberries,	1½ x 4 ft.	7250
Grapes,	8 x 8 ft.	675

All plants listed will be sold 50 or more of one variety at 100 rates; 500 or more of one variety at 1000 rates.

MONTPELIER, VT., May 22, 1917.

Mr. Geo. D. Aiken.

Dear Sir:—All the plants that I ordered from you have come in good shape. They were all fine plants. Thank you for your kind attention to my small orders.

Very truly yours,
G. L. BOSWORTH.

CLAREMONT, N. H., May 2, 1917.

Geo. D. Aiken, Putney, Vt.

Dear Sir:—Plants received in fine condition. Many thanks for the extra count and also promptness in filling the order.

Respectfully yours,
MRS. R. E. STEWART.

WINDSOR, VT.

Mr. Geo. D. Aiken.

Dear Sir:—I was surprised and pleased with your prompt shipment of strawberries.

MRS. E. M. THOMAS.

RASPBERRIES

CUTHBERT. Berries late, very large and finest quality. 25 for 50c., $1.50 per 100, $9.00 per 1,000.

MARLBORO. Very early, large and productive. Price same as Cuthbert.

RUBY. Similar to Marlboro. Very profitable. Price same as Cuthbert.

HERBERT. Berries of immense size and best quality; extremely productive. Midseason. 25 for 75c., $1.75 per 100, $15.00 per 1,000.

IDAHO. Perfectly hardy anywhere, largest red raspberry. Fruit acid, good for jam. Has yielded 5,000 quarts per acre with me. Price same as Herbert.

GOLDEN QUEEN. Exactly like Cuthbert except in color. Price same as Herbert.

ST. REGIS. The much advertised fall-bearer. Price same as Cuthbert.

OHTA. New, very hardy, berries fair size with flavor of wild berries. Price same as Herbert.

JUNE. Earliest good red raspberry. Very hardy and productive. Quality fair. 25 for $1.00, $3.00 per 100.

COLUMBIAN. Very popular purple variety. Vigorous and productive. Price same as Herbert.

ROYAL PURPLE. Later than Columbian. Bush erect and vigorous. Berries good quality. Fine for canning. Price same as Herbert.

PLUM FARMER. Best black-cap. Early, large and finest quality. 25 for 75c., $1.75 per 100.

BLACKBERRIES

ELDORADO. Very early; large and sweet; hardy. 25 for 75c., $2.00 per 100.

SNYDER. Most productive blackberry. Good size, fair quality, perfectly hardy; midseason. 25 for 75c., $1.75 per 100, $14.00 per 1,000.

BLOWERS. The largest blackberry, good quality, late season. Price same as Snyder.

GOOSEBERRIES

DOWNING. Most popular gooseberry. Color green, quality good. Fair size. 15c. each, 10 for $1.00, 25 for $2.00; 4 year bearing size, 25c. each, $2.00 for 10.

RED JACKET. Color, pale red, large size. Price same as Downing.

OREGON CHAMPION. Color, yellowish-green. Immensely productive. Sweet. 15c. each, 10 for $1.25, 25 for $2.50.

CURRANTS

RED CROSS. Large, sweet and early. 10 for 75c., 25 for $1.50, 100 for $4.50.

CHERRY. Fruit large and attractive. Price same as Red Cross.

WILDER. Very profitable, bears young; large clusters. Price same as Red Cross.

DIPLOMA. New, sweet and productive. 10 for $1.00, 25 for $2.00.

WHITE GRAPE. Best white variety. Price same as Diploma.

PERFECTION. The largest and best red currant. 15c. each, 10 for $1.25, 25 for $2.50, $8.50 per 100.

STRAWBERRIES

SENATOR DUNLAP. An all around variety. Does well anywhere. Anyone can grow it. Early, productive, and good quality. 25c. for 25, 60c. per 100, $4.50 per 1,000.

CHESAPEAKE. A fancy, high quality berry. Makes few runners. 35c. for 25, 90c. per 100, $6.00 per 1,000.

McALPIN. Very large light red berry of finest quality. Excellent for home gardens. Late. 35c. for 25, 90c. per 100, $6.00 per 1,000.

FIRST QUALITY. A long, sweet, late variety of high quality. Price same as McAlpin.

SAMPLE. The big commercial berry of New England. Large and uniform. Should be planted with Warfield or some other perfect flowering variety. 25c. for 25, 75c. per 100, $5.00 per 1,000.

WARFIELD. Midseason; productive, quality good. Succeeds anywhere. Price same as Senator Dunlap.

GLEN MARY. One of the heaviest croppers. Berries very large. Season late. Plant with Warfield for best results. Price same as Chesapeake.

EVERBEARING STRAWBERRIES

PROGRESSIVE. This is the variety that made this type of strawberries famous. The plant should be set very early in the spring to insure success. All blossoms should be picked off till July at least for best results. Plants will begin bearing in August and during September and October a good crop may be depended on if the plants have had a good start. The berries resemble Dunlap and are of fine quality. These same plants will bear the next summer and fall, but after that it is best to set a new bed. **Plant Progressive early.** 50c. for 25, $1.50 per 100, $9.00 per 1,000.

SUPERB. Is much larger than Progressive but does not bear as much in the fall. Superb is one of the best summer croppers and is worth planting for this alone. Price same as Progressive.

GRAPES

2 Year No. 1

	Each	10
Concord,	$ .10	$ .75
Moore's Early (black),	.10	.90
Worden (midseason black),	.10	.90
Niagara (white),	.10	.90
Delaware (red),	.10	1.00
Campbell's Early (black),	.15	1.25
Green Mountain (green),	.25	2.00

ASPARAGUS

	25	100	1,000
Giant Argenteuil,	$.25	$.75	$5.50

RHUBARB

	Each	10	100
Linneaus,	$.10	$.75	$5.00

APPLE TREES

	Each	10	100
2 year 5-7 feet,	$.30	$2.50	$20.00

Varieties listed in order of ripening: Yellow Transparent, Red Astrachan, Sweet Bough, Duchess, Transcendent Crab, Hyslop Crab, Gravenstein, Maiden's Blush, Wealthy, Fameuse, Twenty Ounce, McIntosh, Wolf River, R. I. Greening, Northwestern Greening, Winter Banana, Baldwin, Talman Sweet, Delicious, Wagener, Northern Spy, Roxbury Russet.

NOTE:—Because of the shortage in McIntosh I cannot include more than 100 trees of this variety in any one order.

PEAR TREES

	Each	10	100
2 year 5-7 ft. trees,	$.30	$2.50	$20.00
Bosc 4-6 ft. trees,	.40	3.00	

Varieties: Clapp's Favorite, Bartlett, Seckel, Sheldon, Vermont Beauty, Beurre Bosc, Duchess, Lawrence, Anjou.

Bartlett, Seckel and Duchess furnished in dwarf stock at 5c. less.

PLUM TREES

	Each	10	100
2 year 5-7 ft. trees,	$.30	$2.50	$20.00

Varieties: Red June, Abundance, Bradshaw, Burbank, Lombard, York State Prune, Shropshire Damson, Green Gage.

PEACH TREES

	Each	10	100
1 year 5-6 feet,	$.20	$1.50	$12.00
J H Hale,	.30	2.50	

Varieties: Greensboro, Carman, Champion, Early Crawford, Belle of Georgia, J H Hale, Elberta.

CHERRY TREES

	Each	10	100
2 year 5-7 feet,	$.35	$3.00	$24.00
1 year 3-5 feet,	.30	2.50	20.00

Varieties: Early Richmond, Montmorency, English Morello, Gov. Wood (sweet).

QUINCE TREES

	Each	10
3-4 feet,	$.25	$2.00

Varieties: Orange, Champion.

ROSES

2 Year No. 1

Variety	Each	10
Crimson Rambler,	$.25	$2.25
Dorothy Perkins,	.25	2.25
Dr Van Vleet (blush pink),	.30	2.50
Excelsa (Red Dorothy Perkins),	.25	2.25
Silver Moon (white, stamens yellow),	.25	2.25
White Dorothy Perkins,	.25	2.25
Coquette des Alps (blush white),	.40	3.50
Gen. Jacqueminot (red),	.40	3.50
Mme. Plantier (white),	.40	3.50
Magna Charta (large pink),	.40	3.50
Mrs. John Laing (fragrant pink),	.40	3.50
Persian Yellow,	.40	3.50
Frau Karl Druschki (white),	.50	4.00
Grus an Teplitz (red),	.50	4.00
Pink Killarney,	.50	4.00
White Killarney,	.50	4.00

HARDY SHRUBS

Variety	Each	10
First class plants, 2-3 feet,	$.25	$2.25
Buddleia or Butterfly Bush		
Deutzia, Pride of Rochester		
Forsythia Viridissima		
Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora		
Hydrangea, Hills of Snow		
Philadelphus Grandiflora		
Spirea Bridal Wreath		
Japanese Flowering Quince		
Common Snowball		
Japan Snowball	35c. each	

MISCELLANEOUS ORNAMENTALS

Berberis Thumbergii, 12-18 in. 15c. each, 10 for $1.10, $8.00 per 100.

California Privet, 2-3 feet. 10c. each, 10 for 50c., 100 for $4.50.

Chinese Purple Wisteria,	25c. each
Chinese White Wisteria,	25c. each
Purple Lilac,	35c. each
White Lilac,	35c. each
Carolina Poplar, 8-10 feet,	25c. each
Cut Leaf Weeping Birch, 8-10 feet,	$1.25 each

HARDY PERENNIAL FLOWERS

Variety	Each	10
Perennial Larkspur,	$.10	$ .80
Funkia, White Day Lily,	.15	1.25
Yellow Day Lily,	.15	1.25
Golden Glow,	.10	.50
German Iris, mixed colors,	.15	1.00
Peony—Early Red, Late Red, Pink and White,	.20	1.50
Hardy Phlox, mixed colors,	.10	.60
Hollyhocks, Newport Pink, Red and mixed,	.10	.75
Sweet William, Newport Pink and Red,	.10	.60

East Mansfield, Mass., May 4, 1917.

Mr. Aiken.

Dear Sir:—I received the plants all right in due time. Thanks for same. They are all right.

Yours truly,
J. E. Dean.

Lisbon, Maine, May 2, 1917.

Geo. D. Aiken.

Dear Sir:—The plants got here all right last Monday. They are fine. Thanks for prompt shipment. I send you a dollar for Progressive strawberry plants. Please ship as promptly as before. Will see if I can't get you some customers.

Thos. J. Gould.

Route 1, Lisbon Falls, Me.

"The Elms," Rutland, Vt.

My dear Mr. Aiken:—All the small fruits came in fine condition and I thank you for the care and generosity.

Thanking you.
(Mrs.) E. I. Hall.

Bridgewater, Vt., May 7, 1917.

Geo. D. Aiken, Putney, Vt.

Dear Sir:—Plants arrived O. K. Thanking you for promptness, I remain,

Respectfully,
C. F. Josselyn.

Williston, Vt., May 4, 1917.

Mr. Geo. D. Aiken, Putney, Vt.

Dear Sir:—My order of strawberry plants and fruit trees has arrived. I am very much pleased with them. They are in fine condition.

Respectfully,
C. D. Caswell.

Penobscot, Me.

Dear Sir:—Plants received in due time and they are fine. Should have sent you word before, but have been busy.

Burton L. Wardwell.